Changes in Civic set up of Delhi

54. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be plea-set! to state :

(a) whether Government propose to contemplate changes in the present civic »et up in Delhi by dividing the Municipal Corporation of Delhi into three Corporations with the Mayor as a ceremonial head ; and

(b) if so, what are the other details of the new set up ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) The question of restructing of the Civic bodies in Delhi is under consideration of the Government.

Crimes in Yamuna Pnshta Slum Colony in Delhi

55. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report which appeared in the Times of India dated 26th May, 92 regarding flourishing crimes including drug peddling in Yamuna Pushta Slum colony with the connivance of police personnel;

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Government to identify the persons involved in the crimes and the police personnel conniving in such illegal activities i» the slum colony ; and

(c) what are the results achieved so far and the manner in which Government propose to check the crimes in Yamuna Pushta Slum Colony?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes Sir. A news item captioned 'only crime pays in Yamuna Pushta" appeared in Times of India' in its issue of dated 26th May, 1992.

(b) and (c) Normal surveillance is being maintained by the police and whenever any person indulging in crimes is detected, stringent action is taken against such person. Among the measures taken to curb crime are increased patrolling, proper investigation of the reported cases, strengthening of intelligence etc. During the current year (upto 30th June, 1992) 128 criminals were arrested as against 69 arrests during the corresponding period last year.

Sri Lankan Refugees

56. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what was the number of Sri Lankan refugees in the country at the end of Decem ber, 1991 and also those who crossed over to India since the beginning of 1992, till-date ;

(b) the States where these refugees have been setttled in the camp's along with their number in each State ;

(c) the number of the Sri Lankan refugees who have been treated as repatriates and have been provided assistance for rehabilitation ;

(d) what is the amount given by the Centre to the State Governments for providing relief to Sri Lankan refugees; and

(c) what is the present position with regard to the remaining defugees in the country for their repatriation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) According to available information, the number of Sri Lankan refugees residing in India at the end of December, 1991 was 2,10,030. No Sri Lankan refugee is reported to have crossed over to India since the beginning of 1992, till date.

(b) 88,902 aadl63 Sri Lankan refugees are at present accommodated in various